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UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON  
DAYTON, OHIO  
**MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE**

October 28, 2005  
KU West Ballroom  
3:00 p.m.

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Presiding: Dr. David Biers

Senators Present: Biddle, Biers, Chen, Courte, Darrow, DeMarco, Desmond, Doyle, Eggemeier, Eloë, Gerla, Hardie, Hileman, Ilg, John, Lasley, Meyers, O’Gorman, Penno, Pestello, Phelps, Rapp, Saliba, Singer, Strain, Thimmes, Thompson, Zoghi

Guests: Carter, Ferry, Patterson, Vanderberg

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1. Opening Prayer: Senator O’Gorman opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. Roll Call: Twenty-eight of thirty-nine Senators were present.
3. The minutes of the September 16, 2005 meeting were approved.
4. The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) proposal was presented and discussed. Senator Eggemeier gave an overview of procedures. OBR process includes review of the Program Development Plan and review of the Full Proposal. There is an additional review due to an accreditation process. The on campus process includes departmental and unit approval, Graduate leadership Council and Academic Senate approval, and approval from the Provost Council. The Full Proposal will then go to the Board of Trustees. Paul Vanderburgh presented the concept of the proposal. Senators came to the meeting with four attachments and Dr. Vanderburgh discussed each of the four attachments. Drs. Vanderburgh and Lasley answered questions from the floor. The Academic Senate will vote on the Full Proposal at the December 2 meeting. Senators will receive copies of the Full Proposal as early as possible in November.
5. Joyce Carter gave a presentation regarding the status of criminal background checks for potential UD employees. Criminal background checks are currently and routinely given for staff positions. There is debate over the use of criminal background checks for faculty positions. Senator Gerla presented a report from the faculty Affairs Committee of the Academic Senate. This committee analyzed the position of the American Association of University Professor’s position as it applies to UD. At this point in time, the FAC does not make a clear recommendation.
6. Standing Committee Reports

FAC: Senator Gerla indicated that the FAC is studying a constitutional issue related to the calendar for terms for Senators.

APC: Dr. Biddle reported the APC approved two motions following input from the General Education Committee. The first action changes the implementation of the third module of the Quantitative Reasoning Competency. A student must pass with a grade of C- or better one of the approved courses. The second action makes editorial changes in the General Education Policy document. Finally, the APC discussed and will review a proposed plan, submitted by the general Education Committee to complete the review of clusters.

SAPC: Senator Hilemon indicated that the SAPC will meet following the Academic Senate meeting and determine the reopen the discussion of the Honor Code.

7. Senator Biers closed with a report from ECAS. An ECAS member sits on each of the Provosts subcommittees; the calendar committee is actively considering the best way to employ study days during finals or considering optimal ways to space spring and Easter breaks; there continues to be discussion on the change of class time for evening classes; cost efficient and useable forms of the University Bulletin are being considered and the conversation is led by Senator Saliba; President Curran will undergo review this year and the Board of Trustees will confer with ECAS to determine good ways to obtain faculty input.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul W. Elo".

Paul W. Elo